

Executive Order
Office of the Mayor
City of Atlanta

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EXECUTIVE ORDER 2003-1103 *FWIII*
BY THE MAYOR

**ACCEPTING, ON BEHALF OF THE ATLANTA
FIRE DEPARTMENT, \$101,965.00 IN EQUIPMENT
FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS
EQUIPMENT PROCUREMENT GRANT
PROGRAM TO IMPROVE RESPONSE TO
WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION INCIDENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta Fire Department is responsible for providing enhanced protection to the citizens of Atlanta regarding hazardous materials and incidents involving weapons of mass destruction; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice is willing to provide and the Atlanta Fire Department is willing to accept certain equipment and training in the amount of \$101,965.00 through the Domestic Preparedness Equipment Procurement Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, given current concerns about possible incidents arising from international events and the safety of the citizens of Atlanta, acceptance of the equipment should occur in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the City Council cannot approve this action through a resolution until its meeting of April 21, 2003 due to its annual recess; and

WHEREAS, during the period between the introduction of the resolution and prior to the time that final action of the City Council can be taken the Atlanta Fire Department needs to have available the equipment and training from the United States Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3-104 of the City Charter and Section 2-182 of the Code of the Ordinances, the Mayor may issue executive orders to exercise emergency powers; and

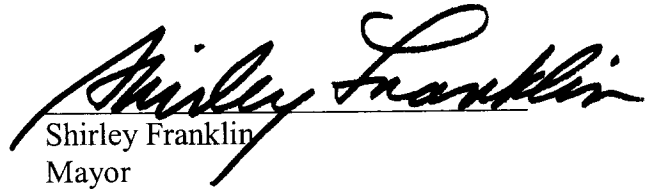
WHEREAS, there is an urgent need, substantially related to the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Atlanta, that the resolution authorizing the Mayor or her designee to accept, on behalf of the Atlanta Fire Department, \$101,965.00 in equipment from the United States Department of Justice to improve response to weapons of mass destruction incidents be supplemented by an administrative order, until such time as the City Council has the opportunity to take final action on said resolution.

**I, SHIRLEY FRANKLIN, AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, NOW HEREBY
AUTHORIZE, ORDER AND DIRECT AS FOLLOWS:**

I hereby authorize the Atlanta Fire Department to accept \$101,965.00 in equipment and training from the United States Department of Justice Domestic Preparedness Equipment Procurement Grant Program.

This order shall remain in effect until such time as the City Council meets to take final action on the resolution and adopts or adversely said ordinance, provided however that the final action of the City Council must take place on or before April 21, 2003.

SO ORDERED this 20th day of March, 2003.


Shirley Franklin
Mayor

ATTEST


Municipal Clerk